

Number of USDA Breeders from 2002-2007

State	2002 Breeders	2003 Breeders	2004 Breeders	2005 Breeders	2006 Breeders	2007 Breeders
Illinois	24	27	33	39	43	50
Indiana	21	23	29	50	68	82
Michigan	3	3	5	10	17	19
Missouri	560	696	830	1061	1304	1534
Oklahoma	176	226	292	412	502	573
Ohio	18	29	40	100	159	175
Totals	802	1004	1229	1672	2093	2433

This data shows the number of licensed breeders in these Midwest states increased by 303% during the past years five years. WTHR acquired the data from USDA through the Freedom of Information Act. Disclaimer: Data reflects numbers from November 7th, 2007 an exact number is not available as the number of registered breeders changes daily.

Rank	State	USDA Breeders 2007	September
1	Missouri	1561	
2	Oklahoma	585	
3	Iowa	437	
4	Kansas	416	
5	Arkansas	350	
6	Pennsylvania	198	
7	Ohio	175	
8	Nebraska	161	
9	Texas	116	
10	South Dakota	105	
11	Indiana	81	
12	Minnesota	78	
13	Wisconsin	69	
14	New York	50	
15	Illinois	49	
16	Florida	36	
17	Georgia	32	
18	Oregon	20	
19	Michigan	19	
20	California	17	
21	North Dakota	17	
22	Tennessee	14	
23	Virginia	14	
24	Alabama	14	
25	Louisiana	13	

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